

# Yeovil Town Supporters Society Ltd (Glovers Trust) Minutes of meeting 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018 at Club 94, Yeovil

#### Present:

Stuart Burrell (SB), Terri Burt, Dean Mountain, Rod Jones (by phone link), Brendon Owen (BO)(Minutes)

## Welcome and opening remarks

SB welcomed those present and gave apologies for Simon Brimble (SBr) & Tom Axe (TA).

#### **Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of 12th July 2018 were agreed.

## **Matters Arising**

The new manager at the Arrow has confirmed that the discount of 20% on all food for members will continue. YTFC have thanked the Trust for the assistance given at the Family Fun Day. Following the poor response to the suggestion of an open evening it has been decided not to pursue it.

Our absent Secretary (Lee Doel), has responded to SB via email indicating his displeasure at reading the announcement of a vacancy for the position as a breakdown in communication meant that he had no knowledge that the announcement was being made. SB was taken aback at this response given the limited contact and engagement and has attempted to speak to him without success. His offer of resignation was included in the email response and so this has been accepted.

#### **Finances**

£7,377.73 is the current balance. Membership income and donations had increased the sum. SB handed £90 to DM from membership renewals collected in the Gazebo on Saturday before the Mansfield game. SB who maned the Gazebo indicated that there was a flurry of activity from 2.30pm onwards and perhaps this could be remembered when organising the next attendance.

## Membership

BO advised that there were presently 84 adults and 9 youths signed up as members. This included only 1 new member, the rest being renewals. Last year the sum total of membership was 182. 2 mailshots had been sent to all those who became members in the first year to encourage them to renew. Despite a high profile on Ciderspace, including two good articles from SB and another Trust member, little or no comment was posted.

# Nomination/Time AGM

It was agreed that the AGM will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Nomination packs will be available from 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018. Members will be notified by email, Facebook and Twitter. Nominations will end on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018. If insufficient nominations are received then no action need be taken to set up an election. SB will contact Supporters Direct to seek advice on running the procedure without a Secretary. Venues were discussed and it was agreed to approach The Arrow to see if the space that was occupied for the Race Night might be available.

BO/SBr to speak to Jodie to see if this is feasible. SB/TA to communicate the timelines SB to contact Supporters Direct

## **Alliance Group Meeting**

SB and SBr attended the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> August. Main points were:

YTFC indicated that they had received no applications for the role of SLO and there were only two nominees. Once of the two has indicated that they did not wish to take on the role. As the Alliance Group have suggested that the role is too big for one individual, YTFC have asked the Alliance Group to consider how the SLO role could possibly be filled. The Club have indicated that the Gazebo is for the use of all Alliance Groups. Practically it is likely that only the Trust will wish to use it.

The questions submitted by the Trust regarding covenants were the only ones submitted. Director David Lee will be invited to the next meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 12.00 noon to answer the questions. TB and BO indicted that they would be available to attend.

#### YTFC Boardroom updates

In the light of the departure of Andy Rossiter from the YTFC Board it was agreed that an invitation be extended to him to meet informally with members of the Trust Board.

# **SB to contact Andy Rossiter**

#### **Any Other Business**

SB advised that Stephen D'Albiac has left the Western Gazette under a restructuring of staff. This means, at least for the present, that there will be no direct reporting of Yeovil matches. There was also nothing regarding the statement made by Andy Rossiter up to the time of this meeting. All agreed that the WG was not serving the football public very well. TB apologised that she will not be able to assist on Saturdays until the New Year due to business commitments.

SB suggested that a Trust Member who has provided recent feedback be contacted to see if he was interested in taking up a role with the Trust. Also agreed to contact David Bell to see if he was still involved with the planning applications.

BO to contact both individuals.

# Date of next meeting

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018, 7.30pm.